

## TOPEKA 40,000

Kansas Primary Failed to Draw Out Big Vote.

Local Contests All That Saved Real Low Record.

## GOVERNOR CAPPER LED TICKET

His Vote Larger Than Cast For Any Other Nominee.

"Dark Horse" Candidates Made Good Showing This Year.

Fewer than 140,000 men and women attended the Republican primaries August 1, according to official reports issued today by J. T. Botkin, secretary of state. Fewer than 120,000 votes were cast on many state offices, while in the Democratic primaries only 48,000 people voted for the contesting candidates for governor.

Returns from the primaries show an almost state wide apathy. Local contests alone saved the primaries in many counties. In counties and districts where there were no disputes concerning the nominations for local offices, the vote fell below 15 per cent of the total vote. A number of counties registered less than 10 per cent of their total voting strength in the contests for nominations for state offices.

Records from the primaries also show another condition that brings little cheer to the hearts of primary enthusiasts. In many of the counties candidates for state offices whose names came first on the ballot carried the county, while candidates from neighboring counties and with strong qualifications were badly beaten because their names were not first on the list.

## Capper Led Ticket.

Governor Capper's vote was larger than the vote cast for candidates for any other office. Many men and women merely voted for the governor and failed to mark after names of other candidates on the state ticket. The fact that the governor was a candidate for re-nomination without opposition, while contests were staged for numerous other offices did not seem to affect conditions.

"Dark horse" candidates ran strong throughout the state. Frank B. Brown, for years a Democrat worker, polled more than 52,000 votes for secretary of state on the Republican ticket. A. Graham, without the support or endorsement of the bar association or prominent lawyers, polled more than 52,000 votes against the incumbent, Fred W. Knapp, who had run but a few months earlier and had helped direct the campaign against the Republican state ticket.

Nomination for state auditor in a three-cornered fight. Charles Evans, attorney at law, defeated the incumbent, Fred W. Knapp, who had run but a few months earlier and had helped direct the campaign against the Republican state ticket.

## Vote on State Ticket.

Votes cast in the primary for state offices were as follows:

Justice supreme court—A. A. Graham (R.), 52,158; Silas W. Porter (R.), 76,214; J. T. Little (D.), 42,134; Benton (S.), 2,872. Second position: Judson S. West (R.), 108,197; Otis S. Allen (D.), 39,133.

Governor—Arthur Capper (R.), 128,916; Ben S. Galt (D.), 17,715; C. S. Landson (D.), 28,720; E. N. Richardson (S.), 2,712; H. P. Ross (P.), 544.

Lieutenant governor—W. Y. Morgan (R.), 117,898; S. M. Johnson (D.), 43,228; Ethel Whitehead (S.), 2,643; A. H. Gilson (P.), 529.

Secretary of state—J. T. Botkin (R.), 76,214; Frank B. Brown (R.), 52,158; Margaret Grande (D.), 43,134; Lincoln Wheeler (S.), 2,872; Mary Sibbitt (P.), 550.

Auditor—John Bramlage (R.), 13,744; Dan B. Dyer (R.), 37,125; Fred W. Knapp (R.), 37,125; Frank O. Porter (R.), 34,320; W. J. Duval (D.), 43,522; W. W. Jones (S.), 2,664.

State Treasurer—W. W. Cook (R.), 37,992; Charles C. Evans (R.), 32,880; Walter L. Payne (R.), 39,061; Matt Weighman (R.), 29,284; D. F. Callahan (D.), 44,579; W. H. Thurman (R.), 2,872.

Attorney General—S. M. Brewster (R.), 114,190; S. A. Buckland (D.), 43,759; Alvah J. Graham (S.), 2,641. State superintendent of public instruction—E. L. Payne (R.), 26,584; W. D. Ross (R.), 59,661; Lizzie E. Weaver (R.), 49,327; J. C. Colville (D.), 42,560; Ida Beloff (R.), 2,872; J. H. Harnly (P.), 522.

Superintendent of insurance—Carey J. Wilson (R.), 109,506; Frank E. Smith (D.), 42,798; Mae Taylor (S.), 2,610; Fred J. Wesley (P.), 501.

State printer—R. B. Smith (R.), 113,482; Robert Poch (D.), 42,312; George Peacock (S.), 2,618.

## WHAT GUARDSMEN EAT

"Brother Bill" on Border Appears Not to Be Starving.

San Antonio, Texas, Aug. 16.—This is what each American soldier on the border consumes in one day: Fresh beef, 18 ounces; baking powder, .08 ounce; beans, 2.4 ounces; coffee, 20 ounces; prunes, 1.28 ounces; evaporated milk, 16 gill; vinegar, 16 gill; salt, .64 ounce; pepper, .04 ounce; cinnamon, .04 ounce; lard, .04 ounce; vinegar, 5 ounces; sugar, 32 gill; flavoring extracts, .014 ounce.

This average is subject to change at any time.

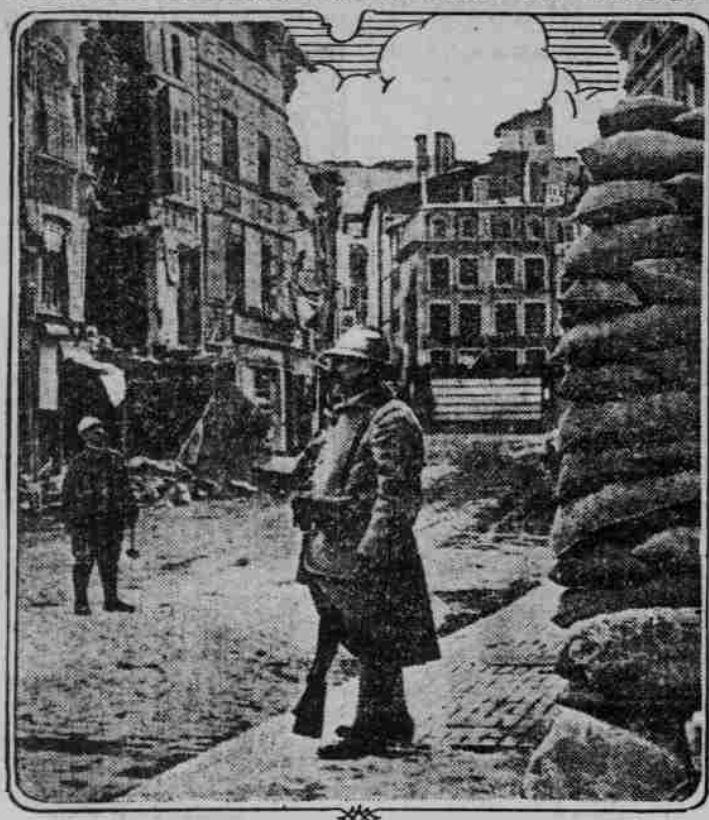
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## GERMAN SHELLS BRING RUIN TO VERDUN



Verdun today—the shell-pitted and sandbagged streets of the town.

Verdun is deserted by all but its garrison of soldiers and firemen; the nearness of the combat on the north and east made the evacuation of the town by the civil population imperative. Fires, which are of daily occurrence and which are caused by the falling shell-storm, are beaten down by the special fire-fighting brigade in Verdun. Many of the buildings in the town are sand-bagged at their bases and guarded by helmeted French soldiers. The town is rapidly crumbling away under the heavy bombardments, and whole areas are now in ruins.

## MONEY IN SCHOOL

Kansas Has Invested 42 Millions in Buildings.

More Than 600,000 Children Are Enrolled in State.

Kansas has invested \$42,000,000 in public school buildings, according to a statement in the biennial report being prepared by the state board of administration. The sum is equal to the entire silver production of the United States, the board finds.

The report shows 600,000 school children enrolled in the Kansas public schools and state institutions. There are 15,000 men and women employed by the state, counties and districts in the education of these children. The annual state expense for educational purposes is \$58,000,000.

## RAILROAD SUPERS ELECT

W. S. Williams Heads Association in Annual Convention.

Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 16.—The following officers were elected today at the opening session of the annual convention of the American Association of Railroad Superintendents: President, C. E. Ricker, Cincinnati; vice president, A. G. Smart, Beardsboro, Ill.; secretary, executive committee, Charles Burlington, St. Louis; B. B. Tolson, Murphysboro, Ill.; O. F. Clark, Chicago; T. J. Jones, St. Louis; H. B. Sanders, Kansas City; G. O. Brophy, Omaha; R. H. Harman, St. Louis, remains secretary and treasurer.

## WON'T JOIN R. R. STRIKE

U. P. Conductors of Colorado and Nebraska Take a Vote on It.

Chicago, Aug. 16.—Passenger train conductors on the Colorado and Nebraska divisions of the Union Pacific will not go out in case of a strike, according to a message received here today by Gerrit Fort, passenger traffic manager, from President T. E. Calvin of the road at Omaha.

Calvin declared the passenger conductors at a meeting in Omaha last night decided upon the same action of Union Pacific engineers, in that they would continue to perform their regular duties in event of a strike.

## TRY TO AVERT STRIKE

Southwestern Mining Conference Will Convene This Afternoon.

Kansas City, Aug. 16.—The general conference of coal operators and miners' representatives considering the threatened strike situation did not meet here this morning as had been announced after yesterday's adjournment, but will reconvene later today in an effort to reach an agreement on the two-year working contract. The failure to meet this morning was explained as having been caused by the informal caucus being taken by either side. No intimation has come from either the miners or the operators as to whether concessions have been determined upon for a compromise that may prevent the lockout of the 35,000 miners of the states of Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Kansas.

## MORE U-BOATS TO U. S.

Two Sub-Sea Freighters Will Leave Germany Soon.

London, Aug. 16.—Two new German submarines of very large size will depart shortly for America, according to a Central News dispatch from The Hague. It is said these submarines have made trial trips off Heligoland.

## Seattle Woman Strongest

Boston, Mass., Aug. 16.—In a strength contest of men and women who attended the Harvard summer school of physical education, Miss Mabel Georgine Purry, physical instructor at the Quenean Anne high school, Seattle, attained a total of 420 points, the highest number scored in the women's division.

## CORN A FAILURE

That Is Promise in Kansas Says Government Report.

Lack of Rain Disastrous—Rust Hurts Spring Wheat.

Washington, Aug. 16.—"Damage by blight and rust continued on the late sown spring wheat in the northern part of the spring wheat area and extended into northeastern Montana, altho the extension of rust damage was checked somewhat by the cooler weather that prevailed," the weather bureau today announced in reviewing crop conditions for the week which ended yesterday in the national weather and crop bulletin. Corn generally was benefited by the weather, except in Kansas, Oklahoma and north and west Texas, where little or no rain fell.

"In Kansas the prospect for corn decreased steadily and in many places the late sown wheat has matured, but a failure because of the lack of rainfall," says the bulletin. "Corn was damaged beyond recovery in much of Oklahoma also in both states cutting for fodder and ensilage was begun. Corn deteriorated in western and northern Texas also, but elsewhere in that state the crop has matured."

"It is feared that the rain came too late for most of the corn in Missouri, altho that planted late will undoubtedly be greatly benefited. The corn was badly damaged in Iowa and many stalks have failed to ear well, but the rain will greatly benefit late corn in that state. The late corn improved in Nebraska also."

## BOTTOM OUT OF OIL

Slash Crude and Gasoline Price Is Cut One Cent.

Shreveport, La., Aug. 16.—The Texas company today posted the sixth reduction in Caddo light and De Soto crude oils within three weeks. The latest ten cent decline brought the former to 95 and the latter to 85 cents. Gasoline prices were unchanged at 65. The Gulf Refining company and the Standard are expected to meet the cut tomorrow.

55 Cents a Barrel Now.

Dallas, Tex., Aug. 16.—The second ten-cent cut in crude oil within three weeks today took the market down one cent today. The Standard Petroleum company.

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Gas 24 1/2 Cents in St. Louis.

St. Louis, Aug. 16.—The Standard Oil company today announced a one cent cut in gasoline prices in St. Louis. The price for the best gasoline today is 21 1/2 cents. Second grade sold at 20 cents.

Cut to 17.6 in Kansas City.

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 16.—Gasoline prices today were marked down one cent today. The Standard quoted 17.6 cents a gallon and the independents 17.5. No reduction was made to the jobbers.

## DATES OF KANSAS FAIRS

Kansas State Fair Association—Phil Egan, secretary, Topeka; September 11-14.

Kansas State Fair—A. L. Spenser, secretary, Hutchinson, September 10-23.

Allen County Agricultural Society—Dr. P. S. Beattie, secretary, Topeka; September 5-8.

Allen County—Moran Agricultural Fair Association—N. McCormack, secretary, Moran; September.

Allen County Fair Association—Porter Young, secretary, Great Bend; October 3-6.

Brown County Fair Association—J. H. Wathia, secretary, Wathia; September 5-8.

Butler County—Douglas Agricultural Society—J. Clay, secretary, Douglas; September 27-30.

Clay County Fair Association—W. E. Miller, secretary, Clay Center; date not set.

Clay County—Wabfield Agricultural Association—Eugene Ekins, secretary, Wabfield; October 6-7.

Clay County Fair Association—W. L. McCarty, secretary, Concordia; August 29-September 1.

Coffey County Agricultural Fair Association—S. D. Weaver, secretary, Burlington; September.

Cowley County Fair Association—W. A. Bowden, secretary, Cowley; September 5-8.

Cowley County Agricultural and Live Stock Association—Frank W. Side, secretary, Wabfield; September 12-15.

Decatur County Fair Association—J. R. Cline, secretary, Oberlin; dates not set.

Dickinson County Fair Association—C. R. Baer, secretary, Abilene; September 19-22.

Douglas County Agricultural Society—C. C. Cropper, who has personal direction of the mid-west territory for the Universal Film Manufacturing Company, which operates Universal Film, Cal. and who directs exchanges at Kansas City, St. Louis, Omaha, Des Moines, Oklahoma City, Wichita, St. Paul, St. D., and three other places, already has engaged reservations at the Throop hotel, convention headquarters, for himself and ten from his company. Then there will be E. R. Pearson, manager of the V. L. S. exchange; Charles Hardin, manager for Metro; W. A. Wachter, manager for the Fox exchange; Charles Edwards, manager of Pathe; L. M. Kiltz, manager of Mutual; W. B. Emory, manager of the National; and A. D. Filton, president of the Kansas City Feature Film Company.

## TOO MUCH DYNAMITE

Yegzes Awaken Texans Who Pursued With Guns and Axes.

Rice, Tex., Aug. 16.—Three yegzes who blew the dynamite here two o'clock this morning used too much dynamite and aroused the whole village. Citizens, armed with shotguns, rifles, revolvers, axes, pitchforks and rakes, boiled out of their homes and attacked the safe blowers. After an exchange of shots, the yegzes deserted \$250 in cash and stamps and fled northward in an automobile.

## DEATHS AND FUNERALS

CORDELIA HAWKINS—Aged 42 years. Died Monday night at a local hospital. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

HARRY SCHRENGSHOST—Aged 25 years. Died Saturday in a local hospital. The body was taken to Paxton this morning where the burial will take place in the Finney cemetery.

JAMES T. JAMISON—Aged 65 years. Died Wednesday afternoon in a local hospital. He was an old resident of Shawnee county. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon in Conwell's chapel. Interment in Rochester cemetery.

JOHN MELCHER—The 10 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Melcher died in the home of his parents, 525 Sardin avenue. The funeral was held at the home this morning in St. Joseph's German Catholic church. Interment in Mount Calvary cemetery.

MARY LOU WALTHAW—The funeral was held Monday morning in Hamilton's chapel. Burial took place in Mount Calvary cemetery. She died August 9 in a local hospital.

## NEVER CAME BACK

After Having Man Arrested on White Slave Charge.

Amanda Roberts Leaves Nothing But a Strange Tale.

After county officials had spent nearly two weeks and perhaps \$100 of the county's money on the case, the "white slave" charge against Claud O. Buck was dismissed today and Buck was released from the county jail. He was released because the prosecuting witness, Amanda Roberts, has disappeared, leaving nothing more than a strange tale in which the officers have lost faith.

Two weeks ago the Roberts woman slipped into the county attorney's office with a story in her eyes and a quaver in her voice and told a story of mistreatment by Buck. She declared that she had been promised a marriage; that after she and Buck reached here he forgot his promises and continued to avoid a trip to the courthouse.

Finally, she said, with more tears, Buck took her and his crippled son to Kansas City, leaving her on the way. Once in Kansas City, she said, he secured a room for her and the crippled boy, went out on an errand and failed to come back. She was greatly shocked when she returned to Topeka to tell her story. It was on the strength of this story that the warrant was issued charging Buck with white slavery.

Following the issuance of the warrant the Roberts woman disappeared and nothing more was heard about her until Buck took her to the city after being brought here from Wichita. He declared that the woman ferreted him out at a farm house near Sharon, Kan., where he was hiding. He said she told him someone had a warrant issued for him, charging him with "white slavery" and that the only thing to do was to do as he said.

She persuaded him to start away from the farm house with her—something she said she wanted to do to escape the embarrassment she caused by her friends—and they headed for town. They were in a spring wagon, heavy and loaded with hay and corn. He went to Wichita.

The Wichita police had instructions to pick him up and hold him. He was brought back to Topeka by Hugh Larimer, undersheriff, and placed in the county jail. Then the county officials began their wait for the prosecuting witness.

She was not to be seen until today and when she failed to put in an appearance the county attorney dismissed the case against Buck. Amanda Roberts is liable for the costs in the case and the county officials do not expect her to come back.

Buck is a bridge carpenter for the Rock Island and is a steady worker.

## MADEROS TO GO HOME

Carranza Grants Amnesty to Mexico's Political Refugees.

Corpus Christi, Texas, Aug. 16.—Forty-eight members of the famous "Madero" family, who fled from the hands of the Carranza government, will return to their native country as the result of Carranza granting amnesty to political refugees and restoring confiscated estates.

"We don't consider this any special concession to the Madero family," said Francisco Madero, brother of Francisco I. Madero, the martyred president, "but it seems to be the policy of the Carranza government to return all exiles to their homes and to bring order out of chaos. The Madero properties ran into millions. There are hundreds of members of the family now living in El Paso, San Antonio, New York City and Corpus Christi."

## DESIGNS PEACE PLAN

President Wilson Drafts Proposition to Present at Strake Conference.

Washington, Aug. 16.—President Wilson today completed a definite plan for settlement of the threatened railroad strike which he will submit tomorrow to the general committee of the 440 representatives of the employees and to the managers' committee.

The plan involves the acceptance of a "safety" eight-hour day with regular pay for overtime and an investigation by a commission of other issues.

It is also probable that the president will make public the remarks to the managers in an effort to bring public opinion to bear upon the two sides. Before giving up hope of forcing a settlement, it is understood that the president will indicate clearly to the country the nature of the negotiations, so the responsibility may be placed clearly.

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## DIDN'T WANT ISLANDS

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## TESTING BALKAN FRONT

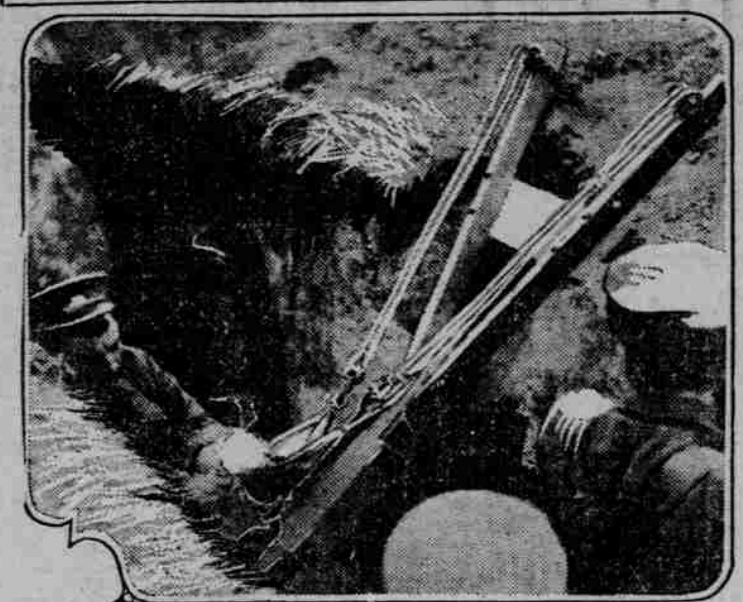
Another Thrust From Saloniki Reported by Berlin.

Berlin, Aug. 16.—The forces of the German army today made a definite thrust to test the strength of the opposing lines, making attacks in small force. Another engagement in the region of Lake Dolina, northwest of Saloniki is reported today by the war office.

Lull at Pozieres.

Berlin, Aug. 16.—The battle of Pozieres has died down after a long series of British attacks, which the war office says, had no result. The British infantrymen remained in their trenches all day yesterday. A night attack near Ovillers failed.

## AUSTRALIANS IN TRENCHES USE CATAPULT TO HURL BOMBS AT FOE



The catapult shown in the picture, which is operated by Australian troops in France, is one of the efficient aids brought into play by the troops in the trenches. Fashioned on a larger scale after the schoolboy's "bean-shooter," the machine speeds the explosive bombs on their way to the enemy trenches, spreading death and destruction.

## JURY OF WOMEN FORGE INTO WEST

Twelve Will Be Chosen to Decide Fate of Two.

First All-Female Panel in History of Courts.

Twelve women, headed by Elizabeth Bare Arthur, will decide the fate of Charles Randall and Michael Bane, charged with disturbing the peace and quiet of a religious gathering in Oakland. The two men were tried before J. P. Williams, J. P. of Topeka, yesterday with three other judges. Williams offered the five the chance of paying the costs and going free. Three took the chance. The other two refused to pay the costs and demanded a change of venue. That is the way the case got into the court of Topeka today.

E. L. O'Neill was employed by Bane and Randall and had been with them in the history of Topeka courts. The case will go to the jury. As drawn the jury list held the names of six women and six men. O'Neill struck off the names of three men and Lee met him and said, "He struck off the other three. That left the six women. O'Neill desired he wanted six more and Lee agreed."

The case will go to trial August 22 before Judge Hugh Fisher with twelve women in the jury box—the first time in the history of Topeka courts. The six women whose names are now on the jury list are: Mrs. Elizabeth Bare Arthur, Mrs. Thomas Dixon, Mrs. Clara Herndon, Mrs. George Meyer, Mrs. M. Jones, Mrs. Ida King, and Miss Edna Jones.

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